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February 21, 2014

Upcounty Citizens Advisory Board Meeting

**Monday, February 24 7:00pm
Upcounty Regional Services Center
12900 Middlebrook Road, Germantown**

The Upcounty Citizens Advisory Board (UCAB) will meet on Monday evening with Edgar Gonzalez, Deputy Director of the county's Department of Transportation. The discussion will focus on transportation projects in the Upcounty that are planned or under construction. The public is welcomed at board meetings.

Sign language interpreter services will be provided only upon request with notice as far in advance as possible, but no less than 72 hours prior to the event. If these or other services or aids are needed to participate in this activity, please call 240-777-8040 or email a request to catherine.matthews@montgomerycountymd.gov.



County Council Schedules Town Hall Meeting in Clarksburg

**Wednesday, February 26 8:00pm
Rocky Hill Middle School
22401 Brick Haven Way, Clarksburg (just off Rt. 355)**

(residents are invited to a pre-meeting reception at 7:30pm)

The Montgomery County Council will meet with residents of the County's fastest-growing community and will look to hearing residents' and businesses' ideas and concerns. Call 240-777-7931 for more information.

A Message from the County Council . . .

Full County Council Worksession on Clarksburg/Ten Mile Creek Limited Master Plan Amendment is Postponed

The full Council worksession originally scheduled for Tuesday, February 25th will now take place on **Tuesday, March 4th**. The Council will discuss the joint recommendation presented by their Planning, Housing and Economic Development (PHED) Committee and the Transportation, Infrastructure, Energy, and Environment (T&E) Committee. At the end of the worksession, a straw vote will likely take place to gauge where Councilmembers stand regarding a final recommendation. Once the resolution is drafted, a final vote will take place probably by the end of March.

Councilmembers are still looking forward to hearing from the community as to what they think about the Ten Mile Creek recommendations and what they would like to see happen in Clarksburg. When writing to the Council, it's important that Clarksburg residents include their name and address so Councilmembers know that they are hearing from the Clarksburg community.

Please see the email addresses for each councilmember below.

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Montgomery Philharmonic
Reinventing the Community Orchestra

"Music of North America" Concert
February 27 7:00pm
Watkins Mill High School
10301 Apple Ridge Road, Gaithersburg

[Program Notes](#)

Montgomery County Commission on Aging's Stakeholder Meeting

Friday, February 28 9:00am – 12:00n (*Snow Date March 4, 2014*)
Silver Spring Civic Building, Spring Room
1 Veterans Plaza, Silver Spring, MD

(Public parking across the street; Metro Station in 5 blocks)

A special invitation to is extended to **Family Caregivers of Seniors**. Share your caregiving challenges and needs so the Commission can advocate for you and your family. Learn about available county services, resources and supports from our guest speakers. **Light refreshments will be served.**

To register for this free event, contact: Tremayne Jones at 240-777-1120 or tremayne.jones@montgomerycountymd.gov.

If you need sign language interpreter to participate in this meeting, please contact our office at 240- 777- 1120 by February 26, 2014.

The Montgomery County Commission on Aging (COA) advises the County Council and the County Executive regarding needs of and services for older adults in the County.

Calling All Potholes



MCDOT relies on resident reports of potholes and repair crews also stop to fill any other potholes encountered as they make their rounds. Residents can report potholes [online](#) or by calling the MC311 Call Center at 311 or 240-777-0311, Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Drivers are asked to be cautious and patient when encountering crews filling potholes. See http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/apps/News/press/PR_details.asp?PrID=13417 for more.

Montgomery College Presents . . .

FRANK ISLAM ATHENAEUM SYMPOSIA

SPRING 2014 SPEAKER SERIES — EVENINGS at 7 p.m.



GLOBE HALL, HIGH TECH BLDG, GERMANTOWN CAMPUS

BILL PRESS

Tuesday, February 11, 7:00 p.m.



Syndicated columnist, political talk show host, and best-selling author, Bill Press will address the present stagnation and chaos of Washington DC, especially the United States Congress. He will explore the possibility of a middle ground between Republicans and Democrats on the hill and analyze whether President Obama is too bold or too timid.

"CAN ANYBODY SAVE WASHINGTON?"

PAUL MONTEIRO

& Distinguished Panel of Interfaith Leaders
Wednesday, February 26, 7:00 p.m.



INTERFAITH DIALOGUE—ITS SIGNIFICANCE IN PUBLIC POLICY & THE WHITE HOUSE

Paul Monteiro, Director in the White House Office of Public Engagement and Intergovernmental Affairs, will describe his interfaith outreach efforts and the dialogue between faith communities and the forming of public policy in the Obama administration. On stage with Monteiro will be a distinguished panel of interfaith leaders: Rabbi Gerald Serotta, Iman Yahya Hendi, Reverend Wilson Gunn, Reverend Dr. Stephanie J. Nagley,

LISA CROOMS

Wednesday, March 26, 7:00 p.m.



Director of the Constitutional Law Center, Associate Dean of Academic Affairs, and Professor of Law at Howard University School of Law, Lisa Crooms will explore human rights, both national and international, and she will comment on *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*—the One Book Germantown selection for spring 2014.

USING HUMAN RIGHTS TO ADVANCE OUR COMMON HUMANITY

SHEILA KAY ADAMS

Wednesday, April 2, 7:00 p.m.

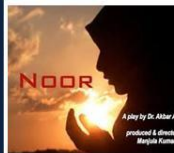


BALLAD SINGING, STORYTELLING, AND BANJO PERFORMANCE

Sheila Kay Adams, one of nine individuals to receive the 2013 National Heritage Fellowship from the National Endowment for the Arts, will demonstrate her signature drop-thumb style claw-hammer skills on the five-string banjo, her Appalachian storytelling, and ballad singing for an unforgettable evening of North Carolina folk traditions.

NOOR—Screening of Drama

Written by Akbar Ahmed and Directed by Manjula Kumar
Followed by Distinguished Panel: Director, Actors, and Frank Islam
Monday, April 14, 7:00 p.m.



Noor is a two-act play about the abduction of a young woman named Noor and her three brothers who represent currents inside modern Muslim communities: a Sufi, a secular government bureaucrat, and an angry fundamentalist. *Noor* was written by Dr. Akbar Ahmed, chair of Islamic Studies at American University. Manjula Kumar, director of *Noor*, will lead a panel discussion of this significant drama.

NOOR BY AKBAR AHMED

CHARLES WILLIAMS

Accompanied by Betty Bullock, formerly of the Washington Opera
Wednesday, April 30, 7:00 p.m.



OPERA, THE AMERICAN SONG BOOK AND POETRY OF

LANGSTON HUGHES

Renowned international singer, Charles Williams will sing two selections from *Porgy and Bess*; he performed the role of Sportin' Life at the Metropolitan Opera. In addition, he will sing some favorites from the American Song Book and recite the poetry of Langston Hughes.

ALL EVENTS ARE FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

For more information, please visit our website at <http://cms.montgomerycollege.edu/athenaeum>
Or email joan.naake@montgomerycollege.edu

Celebrate Black History with a
Gospel Train Ride to Freedom: The Connection
Friday, February 28 5:00pm – 8:30pm
Mt. Calvary Baptist Church
608 North Horners Lane, Rockville

You are invited to spend the evening celebrating the 37th Anniversary of the Lincoln Park Foundation and the 9th Anniversary of the Leroy E. Neal African American Research Center. The event will also pay tribute to the honorees who have contributed extraordinary community services to this county. Come and enjoy the spoken word, gospel songs, and a special video train ride. Refreshments too!

Show Your Appreciation!

Help Montgomery County recognize extraordinary volunteerism by nominating friends, family, students, colleagues or acquaintances for the honor of receiving a ***Neal Potter Path of Achievement Award or Montgomery Serves Award***.

Neal Potter Path of Achievement Award

In partnership with the Commission on Aging and *The Beacon Newspapers*, **two residents aged 60 or better will be selected for their lifetime of volunteer service in the County**. This annual award is named in memory of former County Councilmember, County Executive and longtime civic activist Neal Potter. Click here for a [**Nomination Form**](#)

Montgomery Serves Awards

These awards recognize special volunteer accomplishments during the calendar year 2013 in the following three categories. Click for a [**Nomination Form**](#).

Youth Service Awards

individual youth 18 years and under and/or youth groups

Business Service Awards

engages employees as community volunteers

Community Service Award - Individual

exemplary volunteer service by an individual

Community Service Award - Group

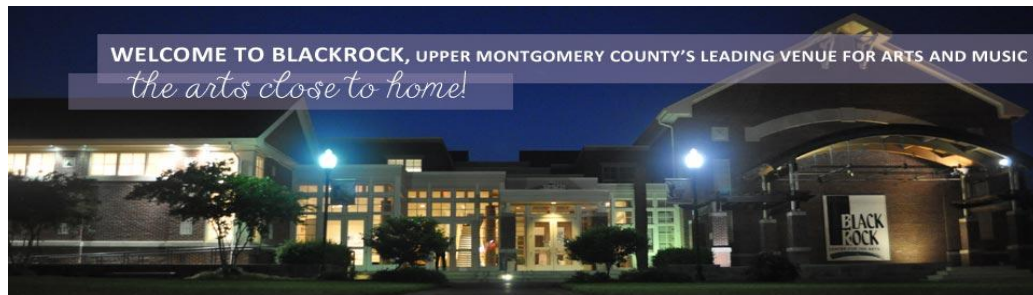
exemplary volunteer service by a community group

Deadline for both is Friday, February 28, 2014 at 5pm.

2014 Montgomery Serves Awards Event

Monday, April 28
Imagination Stage

County Executive Ike Leggett, joined by Andrea Roane of WUSA9 News, will present the **Roscoe R. Nix Distinguished Community Leadership Awards** along with the **Neal Potter Path of Achievement** and **Montgomery Serves Award** winners. This **FREE EVENT** is open to the public. **Reservations are required** as seating is limited. Reserve your seats now at [**MontgomeryServes.org**](http://MontgomeryServes.org). Contact the Volunteer Center at [**serviceawards@montgomerycountymd.gov**](mailto:serviceawards@montgomerycountymd.gov) or call **240-777-2600** for additional information.



Ballet Hispanico Latin Dance Party

Latin Dance, Social Dance | Friday, Feb 28, 2014 | 7:30 PM

BlackRock Center for the Arts

12901 Town Commons Drive, Germantown

After a 45-minute lesson with Ballet Hispanico company members, you'll be swinging your hips and circling your partner like Salsa dancing was your native language! [Read more...](#)

On March 1 Ride On's paper Youth Cruiser Passes to be phased out; Will be replaced by Youth Cruiser SmarTrip® Card

Starting March 1, the **Youth Cruiser SmarTrip® card** will take the place of Ride On's paper Youth Cruiser passes. Both passes provide a significant savings over regular fares.

* The Youth Monthly Pass provides unlimited rides on Montgomery County's Ride On bus system to those 18 years of age or younger for an entire month for only \$11.

* The Youth Summer Pass provides unlimited rides all summer, from June 1 through August 31, for \$18.

Additional value can be added to the Youth Cruiser SmarTrip® card, the same as a regular SmarTrip® card, for use on Metrorail, Metrobus and other participating transit agencies. The Youth Cruiser SmarTrip® Card *must be purchased in person*. Proof of age and County residence is required. A [full list of participating retail outlets](#) is available on the [Division of Transit Services' website](#).

For more News from the Office of the County Executive, visit: <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/news>

For other news and meeting agendas, visit:

County Council <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/csltml.asp?url=/content/council/news/news.asp>

Planning Board http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/departments/news_releases/

Also check out the latest from:

Department of Public Libraries <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/content/libraries/index.asp>

Department of Recreation <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/rectmpl.asp?url=/content/rec/index.asp>

Department of Transportation <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot/index.html>

Department of Environmental Protection <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/deatmpl.asp?url=/content/dep/dephome/index.asp>

Department of Permitting Services <http://permittingervices.montgomerycountymd.gov/DPS/general/Home.aspx>

Montgomery County Volunteer Center <http://www.montgomeryserves.org>